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SUBJ: VICE-PRESIDENT OF HOUSE OF DEPUTIES SPEAKS OUT ON LOS

REF: PANAMA 03648

1. IN A PORTION OF THE VENEZUELAN INDEPENDENCE DAY MESSAGE BEFORE THE CONGRESS ON JULY 5, THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES, CARLOS CANACHE MATA, CRITICIZED EFFORTS TO EXPLOIT SEABED RESOURCES BY THE INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS. REITERATING PREVIOUSLY MADE CRITICISMS (REF), HE CHARACTERIZED THESE EFFORTS AS "A NEW AND TERRIBLE COLONIALISM BLOSSOMING ON THE PLANET: THE COLONIALISM OF THE SEA." HE NOTED NEW TECHNOLOGY AND LARGE INVESTMENTS OF CAPITAL POSSESSED ONLY BY INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS HAVE MADE EXPLOITATION OF THE (MARINE) RESOURCES POSSIBLE. BUT CANACHE ADDED: "DOMINATION (COLONIALISM) HAS

ADOPTED A NEW FACE: THE POWERFUL NATIONS WILL BE ABLE TO UNFOLD A NEW COLONIALISM WHICH WILL SURPASS THAT WHICH HAS BEEN EXERCISED FOR CENTURIES OVER THE ONE-THIRD OF THE PLANET FREE FROM THE SEAS."

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2. HE CONCLUDED WITH REMARKS ON LOS SAYING: "FORTUNATELY, THE UN HAS

DECLARED MARINE SEABEDS AND RESOURCES AS PATRIMONY OF HUMANITY. THE DECISIONS REACHED ON LOS WILL BE A DECISIVE EVENT ON WHICH WILL DEPEND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER AND THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY."

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